



**The memo on the Research Cooperation
between
Institute of Ethnology & Anthropology, CASS and Faculty of Law, UiO**

The academic exchange and cooperation among individual experts from the Institute of Ethnology & Anthropology, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences (CASS) and the Faculty of Law, University of Oslo (UiO) have been carried out during the past two decades. The contributions jointly made by CASS and UiO together with other researchers ended with fruitful results, including publications of field investigation report in the areas of hunting and reindeer herding peoples, paper collections of the international forum organized by the Tibet Think-tank at CASS visits, and the law/policy recommendations on minority or indigenous languages,

1. In order to establish an institutional cooperation for improving their leading research roles in both countries, the two parties agree to make their efforts on the following activities:

(1) jointly or separately applying funds for cooperative research. Both parties shall start to prepare a side event at the conference of the UN Convention on Biodiversity in Kunming 2020 with tentative topic: "good practices of legal protection on the bio-cultural diversity in China and Norway".

(2) coordinating other institutes and integrating resources from each side in both countries

- CASS shall coordinate and integrate resources from various departments at CASS, such as the Institute of Law, Tibet Think-tank and the Sustainable Development Centre, etc. for this cooperation
- UiO shall coordinate and integrate resources from the UiO departments (faculties of humanity and Social Sciences), and other Norwegian institutions, such as the Sami Centre and the law faculty at UiT.

(3) improving a higher level cooperation between CASS and UiO on Nordic-China studies



2. Research fields for further cooperation

(1) law and social transition in culturally distinctive (hunting, reindeer herding and nomadic) communities

(2) sustainable development governance, extractive and cultural industries in minority areas

(3) theories and methods of anthropological or sociological study of law

3. Terms of cooperation mentioned above shall be further considered and agreed upon in writing by both Parties. Any specific activity will be subject to mutual consent, availability of funds and other resources, and approval of both Parties.

For and on behalf of Institute of Ethnology & Anthropology, Chinese Academy of Social Sciences (CASS)	For and on behalf of Faculty of Law, University of Oslo (UiO)
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